

SENATE RECORD VOTE ANALYSIS

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ENERGY-WATER APPROPRIATIONS/Conference, Passage

SUBJECT: Conference report to accompany the Energy and Water Development Appropriations Bill for fiscal year 1997 . . . H.R. 3816. Agreeing to the conference report.

ACTION: CONFERENCE REPORT AGREED TO, 92-8

SYNOPSIS: As passed, H.R. 3816, the Energy and Water Development Appropriations Bill for fiscal year 1997, will provide \$19.973 billion in new budget authority to the Department of Defense's Civil Corps of Engineers, to the Department of the Interior's Bureau of Reclamation, to the relevant offices within the Department of Energy, and to related independent agencies and commissions. Appropriations will be as follows:

- Civil Corps of Engineers: \$3.503 billion;
- Department of the Interior: \$818.9 million, including \$775.3 million for the Bureau of Reclamation (\$9 million of which will be for the Animas La Plata Project; see vote No. 251 for related debate) and \$43.6 million for the Central Utah Project completion account;
- Department of Energy: \$15.780 billion, including \$11.336 billion for Atomic Energy Defense Activities (for related debate, see vote No. 250) and \$240.1 million for the Power Marketing Administrations; and
- Independent Agencies: \$299.0 million, including \$160 million for the Appalachian Regional Commission (for related debate, see vote No. 252) and \$106 million for the Tennessee Valley Authority.

Miscellaneous:

- due to repeated and blatant failures of the Clinton Administration to follow congressional intent in spending funds appropriated for the Energy accounts funded by past Energy and Water Development Appropriations Bills, the Department of Energy will be required to report by February 28, 1997 to Congress on its adherence to the recommendations in the committee report accompanying this bill; and
- an independent science advisory panel will be created to advise the Bonneville Power Administration on spending funds for fish and wildlife enhancement.

(See other side)

YEAS (92)				NAYS (8)		NOT VOTING (0)	
Republican (48 or 91%)		Democrats (44 or 94%)		Republicans (5 or 9%)	Democrats (3 or 6%)	Republicans (0)	Democrats (0)
Abraham	Helms	Akaka	Johnston	Brown	Bryan		
Ashcroft	Hutchison	Baucus	Kennedy	Faircloth	Feingold		
Bennett	Inhofe	Biden	Kerrey	Kyl	Kerry		
Bond	Jeffords	Bingaman	Kohl	McCain			
Burns	Kassebaum	Boxer	Lautenberg	Roth			
Campbell	Kempthorne	Bradley	Leahy				
Chafee	Lott	Breaux	Levin				
Coats	Lugar	Bumpers	Lieberman				
Cochran	Mack	Byrd	Mikulski				
Cohen	McConnell	Conrad	Moseley-Braun				
Coverdell	Murkowski	Daschle	Moynihan				
Craig	Nickles	Dodd	Murray				
D'Amato	Pressler	Dorgan	Nunn				
DeWine	Santorum	Exon	Pell				
Domenici	Shelby	Feinstein	Pryor				
Frahm	Simpson	Ford	Reid				
Frist	Smith	Glenn	Robb				
Gorton	Snowe	Graham	Rockefeller				
Gramm	Specter	Harkin	Sarbanes				
Grams	Stevens	Heflin	Simon				
Grassley	Thomas	Hollings	Wellstone				
Gregg	Thompson	Inouye	Wyden				
Hatch	Thurmond						
Hatfield	Warner						

EXPLANATION OF ABSENCE:

- 1—Official Business
- 2—Necessarily Absent
- 3—Illness
- 4—Other

SYMBOLS:

- AY—Announced Yea
AN—Announced Nay
PY—Paired Yea
PN—Paired Nay

Those favoring passage contended:

The House-passed bill provided \$700 million less for defense activities than did the Senate-passed bill, and it provided \$187 million less for nondefense activities. The conference report is closer to the Senate's position--it will provide \$200 million less for defense activities and \$87 million less for nondefense activities than the Senate-passed bill. For the most part the Senate's priorities were followed. For instance, \$9 million will be provided for the Animas La Plata water project. Hopefully the Administration will stop ignoring the law with endless delays on this project and will move forward as required by this bill. One item on which the Senate did not prevail was the provision giving States some authority to control the in-flow of garbage from other States. The House conferees insisted on removing that provision. Overall, we are pleased with both the frugality of this conference report and the manner in which it will allocate scarce funds. We urges its adoption.

No arguments were expressed in opposition to passage.